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SUBJECT: PRESS STATEMENT FOR USE AT ARUSHA

1. AMB. CARSON IN UGANDA INFORMED AF DUTYOFF THAT RPF HAD ANNOUNCED A UNILATERAL CEASEFIRE. THERE WILL REPORTEDLY BE A PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT SOMETIME TODAY (4/23) IN ARUSHA. PLEASE ENSURE THAT THE WHITE HOUSE PRESS STATEMENT THAT WAS ISSUED 4/22 IS CONVEYED TO ALL CONCERNED PARTIES UNCLASSIFIED

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2. BEGIN TEXT:

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

STATEMENT BY THE FRESS SECRETARY

THE PRESIDENT'S NATIONAL SECURITY ADVISOR, ANTHONY LAKE, MET TODAY WITH RWANDAN HUMAN RIGHTS MONITOR MONIQUE MUJAWAMARIJA AT THE WHITE HOUSE. MR. LAKE EXPRESSED HIS

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DEEP SATISFACTION THAT MS. MAJAWAMARIJA HAD ESCAPED HARM AND EXPRESSED DEEP CONCERN OVER THE VIOLENCE THAT CONTINUES TO RAGE IN RWANDA FOLLOWING THE TRAGIC DEATHS OF RWANDA PRESIDENT HABYARIMANA AND BURUNDIAN PRESIDENT

NTARYAMIRA TWO WEEKS AGO. HE SAID THAT THE HORRORS OF CIVIL WAR AND MASS KILLINGS OF CIVILIANS SINCE THAN HAVE SHOCKED AND APPALLED THE WORLD COMMUNITY. ALL RESPONSIBLE OFFICIALS AND MILITARY OFFICERS MUST BRING OFFENDING TROOPS AND UNITS UNDER CONTROL IMMEDIATELY.

WE CALL ON THE RWANDAN ARMY AND THE RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT TO AGREE ON AN IMMEDIATE CEASEFIRE AND RETURN TO NEGOTIATIONS CALLED FOR AND FACILITATED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF TANZANIA. WE APPLAUD THE EFFORTS OF REGIONAL LEADERS WHO ARE ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN THE SEARCH FOR PEACE AND CALL ON THE PEOPLE OF THE REGION TO SUPPORT THEIR QUEST. THE NITED STATES IS PREPARED TO PARTICIPATE, AS IN THE PAST, IN RENEWED NEGOTIATION IN THE CONTEXT OF THE ARUSHA AGREEMENT OF AUGUST 4, 1993. THE PRINCIFLES OF A UNCLASSIFIED

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NEGOTIATED AGREEMENT AND POWER-SHARING IN THAT AGREEMENT
REMAIN VALID BASES FOR A RETURN TO PEACE IN RWANDA.

WE CALL ON THE LEADERSHIP OF THE RWANDAN ARMED FORCES, INCLUDING ARMY COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF COL./ AUGUSTIN IZIMUNGU, COL. NKUNDIYE, CAPT. PASCAL SIMBIKANGWA AND COL. BAGOSORA, TO DO EVERYTHING IN THEIR POWER TO END THE VIOLENCE IMMEDIATELY.

IN LINE WITH THE U.N. SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION YESTERDAY, WE BELIEVE THAT THE U.N. ASSISTANCE MISSION FOR RWANDA (UNAMIR) HAS AN IMPORTANT CONTINUED ROLE TO PERFORM IN RWANDA IN ATTEMPTING TO SECURE A CEASEFIRE BETWEEN THE PARTIES, ASSISTING HUMANITARIAN RELIEF OPERATIONS AND PROTECTING RWANDANS UNDER THEIR CARE. WE SHARE THE BELIEF THAT THE REDUCTION OF UNAMIR PERSONNEL, IN RECOGNITION OF THE NEED TO ENSURE THEIR SAFETY AND SECURITY, MUST NOT PUT AT RISK THE LIVES OF RWANDANS UNDER UN PROTECTION.

END TEXT.

3. BUJUMBURA MINIMIZE CONSIDERED. CHRISTOPHER